

REMARKS

The present Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 is submitted in accordance with MPEP §714.16 and 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

A Notice of Allowance was mailed for the subject application on September 1, 2010 (hereinafter, “the Notice of Allowance”). Claims 1, 12, and 19 are amended. These amendments correct several errors in the claims as presented in the Examiner’s Amendment on pages 2 - 8 of the Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith amendments of a corrective nature to Claims 1, 12, and 19. No new matter has been introduced with these amendments, all of which are supported in the application as originally filed. Claims 1, 7, 11 - 12, and 19 remain in the application.

MPEP §714.16 states “After the Notice of Allowance has been mailed, ... [the Examiner] has authority to enter amendments submitted after Notice of Allowance of an application which embody merely the correction of formal matters ... without forwarding to the supervisory patent examiner for approval.” (emphasis added).

This Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 is submitted before payment of the issue fee, as required by MPEP §714.16 and 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312. The Examiner is respectfully requested to phone the Applicants’ undersigned

Attorney, if necessary, to discuss this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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